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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC
COMPANY,

Defendant.

Case No. 14-CR-00175-WHA

**DECLARATION OF [REDACTED] IN
SUPPORT OF RESPONSE TO FIFTH
FURTHER REQUEST FOR RESPONSES
RE DIXIE FIRE**

Judge: Hon. William Alsup

1 I, [REDACTED], hereby declare under penalty of perjury as follows:

2 1. I make this declaration based upon personal knowledge and if called as a witness I
3 could and would testify competently to the matters set forth herein.

4 2. I am an Apprentice Distribution Operator with Pacific Gas and Electric Company
5 ("PG&E").

6 3. As an Apprentice Distribution Operator, I act under the authority and direction of a
7 Journeyman Distribution Operator. Apprentice Distribution Operators such as myself do not have
8 independent authority to take certain actions, such as cutting power to a line.

9 4. I worked in the Northern Distribution Control Center ("NDCC") on July 13th,
10 2021, from 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. under Journeyman Distribution Operator [REDACTED] ("NDCC
11 Operator #3").

12 5. On July 13th, at approximately 3:00 p.m., I spoke with a troubleman, [REDACTED]
13 [REDACTED] ("Dixie Troubleman"), who described seeing at least one blown fuse on the Bucks
14 Creek 1101 12kV Line. At the time, I thought that the cause of the outage at the Cresta Dam
15 might have been the blown fuse described by Dixie Troubleman. I do not recall any discussions
16 with NDCC Operator #3 about the cause of the outage or whether to cut power to the entire line at
17 that time.

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19 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my
20 knowledge.

21 Executed this 10th day of November, 2021, in the City of Chico, County of Butte, State of
22 California.

[REDACTED]